Road joining Rajakkamangalam road with Dharmapuram road.

257. *MR. S. THIRAVIAM NADAR (*Agastisvaram*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have taken any steps for the construction of the approach road from the 1st mile-stone of the Rajakkamangalam road to the Dharmapuram road, 1st mile 7th furlong ;

(*b*) whether they are aware that the above road was sanctioned in the budget of 1108 ; and

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, why the work is not taken up yet ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The work has not been taken up since the lands required have not been acquired and handed over by the Land Revenue Department.

Opening of a market at Mannuparambu.

258. *MR. T. K. ALEXANDER (*Kunnatnad I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any representation has been received to open a market at Mannuparambu in the Kunnatnad taluk ;

(*b*) whether any investigation was made ; and

(*c*) if so, what action has been taken ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The site proposed was declared as a market, but no license was issued for the conduct of the market as the party failed to produce the necessary stamp paper.

Royalty on water-falls.

259. *MR. T. K. ALEXANDER (*Kunnatnad I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the names of those water-falls from which royalty is collected by the P. W. D. ;

(*b*) the rate at which it was collected in 1107, 1108 and 1109 ; and

(*c*) whether it is assigned annually or for a certain number of years ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) (1) Water-fall at Pallivasal.

(2) Water-falls in the concession area of the K. D. H. P. Company Ltd.

(*b*) (1) Bh. Rs. 5,000 per annum.

(2) Bh. Rs. 5 per annum per horse-power of power generated by the power plants installed in the various estates in the concession area of the K. D. H. P. Company.

(*c*) Royalty is assigned for certain number of years.

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MR. T. K. ALEXANDER (*Kunnatnad I*): May I know for how many years?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): Which fall is the member referring to?

MR. T. K. ALEXANDER (*Kunnatnad I*): Part (*c*).

MR. G. B. E TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): There is more than one fall.

PRESIDENT: Are you referring to any particular one, Mr. Alexander or are you not very particular of an answer?

Financial irregularities and the Public Accounts Committee.

60. *MR. T. K. ALEXANDER (*Kunnatnad I*): Will the Government be pleased to state: the number of cases of fraud or neglect in treasuries or other offices which handle public money, reported by the Financial Secretary to the Audit and Appropriation Accounts Committee between the years 1108 and 1109, up to 1-11-1109?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): The information required by the member is contained in the Audit and Appropriation Report for the year 1108 (Pages 67-81) already supplied to the Member.

MR. T. K. ALEXANDER (*Kunnatnad I*): May I know whether the Committee examined those officers who committed default?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): The details of such examination as has been conducted will be mentioned in the proceedings of the meetings of the Committee that will be published soon.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): May I know whether the report contains cases that occurred in 1107 also?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): No, only of those that occurred in 1108.

Ayurvedic Vaidyan at Varapuzha.

261. *MR. T. K. ALEXANDER (*Kunnatnad I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether one A. N. Raghavan Vaidyan of Chirakkakam, Varapuzha, applied for grant-in-aid for his *Vaidyasala*;

(*b*) when he first applied;

(*c*) whether he is the only one among the Kammala (Malayala Goldsmith) community who has started a *Vaidyasala*;

(*d*) whether he was a scholarship-holder from the Ayurveda College, Trivandrum; and

(*e*) whether the Inspector of Ayurveda recommended the award of grant-in-aid?

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